

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Edouard Francois et al.
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ENCODED WITH SPATIAL AND TEMPORAL SCALABILITY
Examiner: Williams, Jeffery
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING A
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination. The Preliminary Amendment responds to the Final Office Action dated June 20, 2011, for which a shortened statutory period of three months for response ending September 20, 2011 has been set, the following amendments and comments are submitted and reconsideration of the claim rejections is respectfully requested.

Please charge the fee of eight hundred ten dollars (\$810.00) for the Request for Continued Examination to Deposit Account 07-0832.

No additional fee is believed due. However, please charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 07-0832.

The Applicants submit that in view of the electronic filing of this response, that this response is timely.

Listing and Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.